DESCRIPTION FOR SPECIAL HEARING 1923 Hillcrest Road 1st Election District

BEGINNING on the southeast side of Hillcrest Road (50' wide) at a distance of 366 feet southwest of the centerline of Althea Avenue and being Lot No. 23, as shown on the plat of "Woodlawn Park," Section C, which is recorded in Land Records of Baltimore County in plat book 19. Folio 6.

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clearly indicated by evidence of intention, action or inaction for a reasonable period of time." Feldstein v. Zoning Bd., 246 Md. 204, 210. The key words are "temporary" and "reasonable". Seven years is neither. Without testimony and evidence to substantiate the use, the Petitioners have failed to satisfy the strict burden of proof required of them.

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it is clear that a nonconforming use does not exist.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the requested relief should not be granted.

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, 20.11 day of April, 1987, that a nonconforming use for a two-apartment dwelling does not exist and, as such, the Petition for Special Hearing is

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cc: Mr. Michael T. Evans Mr. Christopher D. Finney Mr. & Mrs. Louis Eckhart People's Counsel

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RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING : BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSIONER

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ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the above-

captioned matter. Notices should be sent of any hearing dates or other

proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 87-290-SPH

Phyllic Cole Friedman

Peter Max Zimmerman Deputy People's Counsel

Peter Max Zimmerman

494-2188

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 7th day of January, 1987, a copy

of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Michael T. Evans and

Christopher D. Finney, Petitioners, 5926 Grand Banks Rd., Columbia, MD

Room 223, Court House Towson, Maryland 21204

People's Counsel for Baltimore County

SE/S Hillcrest Rd., 366' SW of C/L of Althea Ave. (1923

Hillcrest Rd.), 1st District

MICHAEL T. EVANS, et al.,

Petitioners

final Order.

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1986, the Petitioners proffer that Mrs. Hugart, the Powers' daughter, attempted to rent and sell the house and that it was advertised as a twoapartment dwelling.

The Petitioners seek relief pursuant to Sections 104.1 and 500.7, Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR)

The burden of proving a nonconforming use is on the claimant of the use. Calhoun v. Bd. of Appeals of Balto. Co., 277 A.2d 589 (1971). The Petitioners had the burden of showing that the two-apartment dwelling existed as of right prior to March 30, 1955. Testimony seems clear that the dwelling, including the apartment, was constructed prior to 1955 and that it continued as a twoapartment dwelling until 1962. No testimony or evidence was presented to account for the seven-year period between Mrs. Hugart's departure in 1962 and Mrs. Silver's residency in 1969, and therefore, no information on which to base a decision as to whether or not the dwelling was utilized as a two-apartment dwelling, and if not, why it was not.

Zoning officially came to Baltimore County on January 2, 1945, when, pursuant to previous authorization by the Legislature, the County adopted zoning regulations. Section II of those Regulations created seven zones, i.e., four residential, one commercial, and two industrial. A two-family dwelling was permitted as of right in the residential zones. On March 30, 1955, the County adopted a new set of zoning regulations in which nonconforming uses were dealt with in Section 104, BCZR. The testimony and evidence presented conclude that the two apartments were used until 1962. Nothing was presented on which to conclude that their use continued thereafter.

"...[B] ecause the temporary disuse of a nonconforming use does not amount to a surrender of the use, an owner of property will not be deemed to have lost his right to the nonconforming use until the relinquishment thereof has been

IN RE: PETITION SPECIAL HEARING BEFORE THE SE/S of Hillcrest Road, 366' SW of the centerline of ZONING COMMISSIONER Althea Avenue (1923 Hillcrest Road) - 1st Election District OF BALTIMORE COUNTY Michael T. Evans, et al., Case No. 87-290-SPH Petitioners \*

## FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Petitioners herein request confirmation of a nonconforming use for a two-apartment dwelling, as more particularly described on Petitioners' Exhibit 1.

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The Petitioners appeared and testified. Louis and Janet Eckhart, David and Elta Foster, and Dorothy Sergeant, neighbors, appeared in opposition.

Testimony indicated that the subject property, located on Hillcrest Road and zoned D.R.5.5, is improved with a dwelling containing two apartments. The Petitioners purchased the property in September, 1986 as a two-apartment dwelling from the family of the prior owner, who died in September, 1984. The dwelling was constructed in 1953 and inhabited by Mr. and Mrs. John Powers and their daughter Betty, who after her marriage, lived in the second-floor apartment with her husband until 1962. In 1969, the apartment was rented to a Mrs. Silver, who continued to live there until she moved to a nursing home in December, 1984. The second apartment was not used for the seven-year period between 1962 and 1969.

Mr. Powers died in 1976, and Mrs. Powers continued to live in the dwelling until her death in 1984. The house remained vacant after Mrs. Silver left until it was sold to the Petitioners. Although the Protestants claim that there was no attempt to rent the property from December, 1984 until September

PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING

1st Election District

Case No. 87-290-SPH

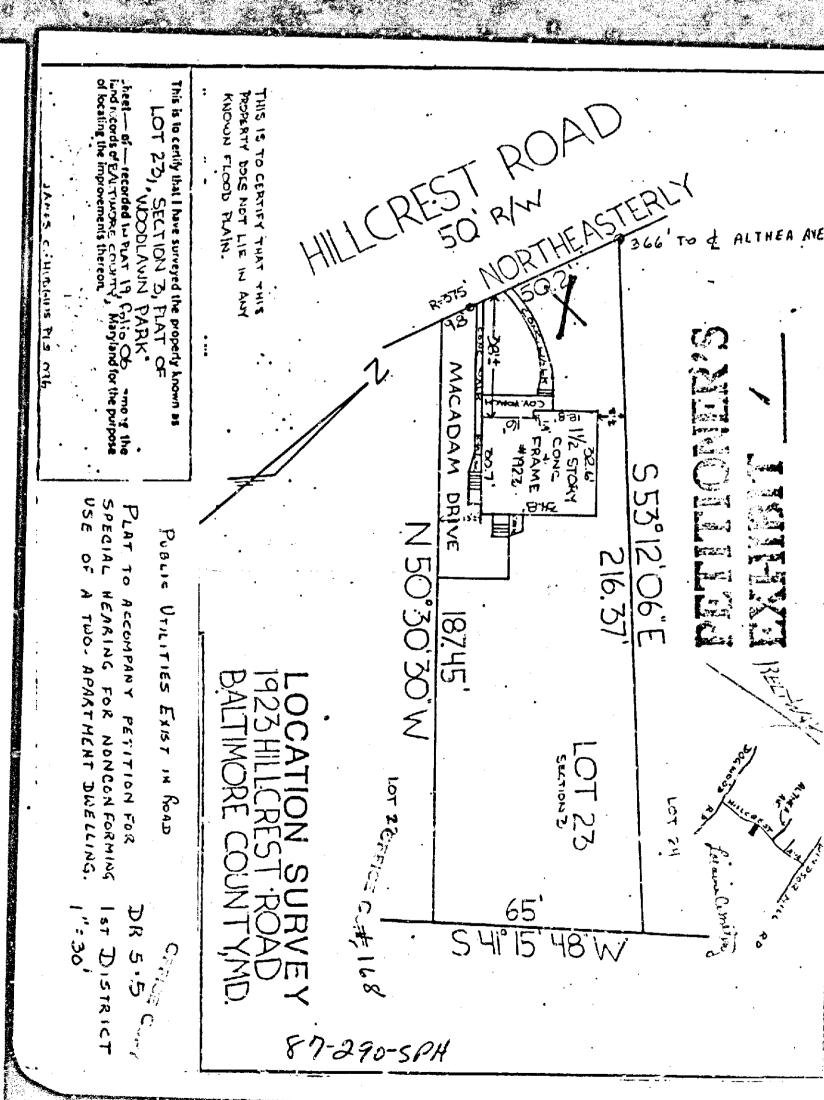
LOCATION:

Southeast Side of Hillcrest Road, 366 feet Southwest of the Centerline of Althea Avenue (1923 Hillscrest Road)

PUBLIC HEARING: Room 106, County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue,

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County, will hold a public hearing:

entertain any request for a stay of the issuance of said permit during this period for good cause shown. Such request must be received in writing by the date of the



DATE AND TIME: Monday, January 12, 1987, at 10:15 a.m.

Towson, Maryland

Petition for Special Hearing to approve the nonconforming use of a two-

apartment dwelling

Being the property of Michael T. Evans, et al plan filed with the Zoning Office.

In the event that this Petition(s) is granted, a building permit may be issued within the thirty (30) day appeal period. The Zoning Commissioner will, however, hearing set above or made at the hearing.

> BY ORDER OF ARNOLD JABLON ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Mr. Michael T. Evans . December 12, 1986 Mr. Christopher D. Finney 5926 Grand Banks Road Columbia, Maryland 21044 NOTICE OF HEARING RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING SE/S Hillcrest Rd., 366' SW of the c/l of Althea Ave. (1923 Hillscrest Rd.) 1st Election District Michael T. Evans, et al - Petitioners Case No. 87-290-SPH Monday, January 12, 1987 PLACE: Room 106, County Office Building, 111 West Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND No. 026090 OFFICE OF FINANCE - REVENUE DIVISION MISCELLANEOUS CASH RECEIPT RECEIVED MICHAEL T EVANS FOR FILLING FEE FOR SPECIAL HEARING TEM 168 , 6 : 8655\*\*\*\*\*10000:e 9282F

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494-3353 ARNOLD JABLON JEAN M. H. JUNG DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER ZONING COMMISSIONER -January 7, 1987 Mr. Michael T. Evans Mr. Christopher D. Finney 5926 Grand Banks Road Columbia, Maryland 21044 RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING SE/S Hillcrest Rd., 366' SW of the c/l of Althea Ave. (1923 Hillcrest Rd.) 1st Election District Michael T. Evans, et al - Petitioners Case No. 87-290-SPH Dear Messrs. Evans and Finney: This is to advise you that \$59.75 is due for advertising and posting of the above property. This fee must be paid before an is due for advertising Order is issued. THIS FEE MUST BE PAID AND THE ZONING SIGN AND POST RETURNED ON THE DAY OF THE HEARING OR THE ORDER SHALL NOT BE ISSUED. Do not remove sign from property from the time it is placed by this office until the dan of the lift. No. 025790 re County, Maryland, and remit BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND OFFICE OF FINANCE - REVENUE DIVISION ding, Towson, Maryland MISCELLANEOUS CASH RECEIPT

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE Arnold Jablon TO Zoning Commissioner Date\_\_\_\_December 19, 1986\_\_\_\_ Norman E. Gerber, AICP, Director FROM Office of Planning and Zoning SUBJECT Zoning Petition No. 87-290-SpH In view of the subject of this petition, this office offers NEG:JGH:slb ZOMING OFFICE

JAN 27 1987 Case# 87-290-SPH DATE: January 22, 1987 MICHAEL T. EVANS, Hal TO : Arnold Jablon FROM: Mike Evans/ Chris Finney RE : 1923 Hillcrest Rd. In accordance with your request at our hearing, this letter is to confirm that we will be having a law office research our situation and the aspect of "involuntary" ceasation of the non-conforming use of the property as a dual dwelling. This letter has also been forwarded to the protestants present at the first hearing. Mike Evans/ Chris Finney 5926 Grand Banks Rd Columbia Md. 21044 (301) 995-3655

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## CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was published in THE JEFFERSONIAN, a weekly newspaper printed and published in Towson, Baltimore County, Md., appearing on December 25 , 19 86.

THE JEFFERSONIAN,

Cost of Advertising 24.75

Re: Case No. 87-290-SPH Cont'd. Pege 2 I think this letter demonstrates that this abartment was only rented to family or close personal friends,

end the time that it was vecent was done voluntarily. Anyone considering renting a ciece of property would never let the property stay vacant for long periods of time.

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At the hearing on January 12, 1987, I informed Arnold Jablan about a Baltimore County Motor Vehicle Zoning violation on the property at 1923 Hillcrest Road. He, in return notified Chris Finney and Mike Evans that they had 15 days to correct it. As of this writing, the violation still

I want to thank you for your concern and I hope this resolves the matter. Would another hearing be in order? Sincerely,

> Jours W. Echla A.) Louis W. Eckhert, Jr. 1917 Hillcrest Road Baltimore, Maryland 21207 944-6432

April 8, 1987

Mike Evans

Armold Jeblon Zoning Commissioner Baltimore County Office of Flanning and Zoning

ZONING OFFICE

Towson, Maryland 21204 Re: Case No. 87-290 SEH MICHAGE T. BURNS, etal Chris Finney &

Dear Sir:

In regards to your correspondence dated April 2, 1987, the house and apartment at 1923 Hillcrest Road was built in 1953 in it's entirety. Mr. and Mrs. John Powers resided there with daughter Betty. Betty Powers and Boger Hughert were merried in 1955. They resided in the apertment until 1962, when they bought a house at 3320 Courtleigh Drive, Rockdale, Baltimore County.

Mrs. Grace Silvers moved into the apartment at 1923 Hillcrest Road in 1969. The apartment was vecent for seven years on a voluntary basis which violates Sec. 104 & 104.1 nonconforming use. John and Ruth Powers still resided thers. Mrs. Silvers was a close friend from school days.

John Powers died in 1976; Mrs. Powers and Mrs. Silvers stayed on until Mrs. Powers died in September, 1984. Mrs. Silvers moved in December, 1984 to the Baptist Home of Maryland, 10729 Park Heights Avenue, Cwings Mills, Maryland 21117. Phone No. 484-8137

The house stayed vacant until November 1, 1986; a total of twenty-two months. This also violates Section 104.1 nonconforming use.

Mr. and Mrs. Powers never attempted to rent the apartment from 1962 - 1969.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hughert never attempted to rent the apartment from December, 1984 - November, 1986. There was never a "For Rent" sign displayed.

Mike Evens and Chris Finney settled for this property on October 1, 1986 and had it reated by November 1, 1986.

Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 494-3353

Arnold Jablon
Zoning Commissione

April 13, 1987

Dennis F. Rasmussen

Mr. Christopher D. Finney 5926 Grand Banks Road Columbia, Maryland 21044

Mr. Michael T. Evans 8908 Blade Green Lane Columbia, Maryland 21044

RE: Case No. 87-290-SPH Michael T. Evans, et al., Petitioners

Dear Messrs. Finney and Evans:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter received from Louis W. Eckhart, Jr., for your information.

I do not believe another hearing day will be necessary and will render my decision within the next ten (10) days. If either side disagrees with the decision, an appeal to the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County may be filed within 30 days from the date of my Order.

Zoning Commissioner

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. Louis W. Eckhart, Jr.

development plans that may have a bearing on this case. The Fire Frevention Director of Planning may file a written report with the Health Department Zoning Commissioner with recommendations as to the suit-Project Planning ability of the requested zoning. Building Department Enclosed are all comments submitted from the members of the Board of Education Committee at this time that offer or request information on Zoning Administration your petition. If similar comments from the remaining members are received, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, Industrial Development any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate and a hearing scheduled accordingly. Very truly yours, lames E. Defer /KKB Zoning Plans Advisory Committee JED:kkb Enclosures S AFFIDAVIT O The undersigned hereby affirms under the penalties of perjury to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, as follows: That the information herein given is within the personal knowledge of the Affiant and Affiant is competent to testify thereto in the event that a public hearing is scheduled in the future with regard thereto. I have personal knowledge that the home located at\_ 1923 Hillerest Rd. Woodlawn Balte. County has been occupied as a  $\frac{two}{(two, three, etc.)}$  apartment dwelling since (month) (year) I also have personal knowledge that all apartments within the dwelling have been occupied as such continuously and without interruption of more than one (1) year during any one period since January , 1954. This personal knowledge is based upon:
(month) (year) Having Leen a resident at 1935 Helecrest Rand Since Mecender 1953 I was personally acquested will the awner of 1923 Willens Kand STATE OF MARYLAND, COUNTY OF BALTIMORE, to wit: I HEREBY CERTIFY, this 18th day of hose 19y6, before me, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared for herein, personally known or satisfactorily identified to me as such Affiant, and made oath in due form of law that the matters and facts hereinabove set forth are true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief. AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal. My Commission Expires: July 1 1990 Rev. 12/12/85 -.nr

BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING PLANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mr. Michael T. Evans

Dear Mr. Evans:

5926 Grand Banks Road

Columbia, Maryland 21044

COUNTY OFFICE BLDG.

Chairman

Bureau of

Engineering

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Department of Traffic Engineering

State Roads Commissio

11' W. Chespeake Ave. Towson, Maryland 21204

January 7, 1986

Tre Zoning Plans Advisory Committee has reviewed the plans

submitted with the above-referenced petition. The following

comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of

the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties

are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the

RE: Item No. 168 - Case No. 87-290-SPH

Petition for Special Hearing

Petitioner: Michael T. Evans, et al

County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204 Re: Zoning Advisory Meeting of LOVEMBER 11, 1986 Property Owner: MICHAEL T. EVANS, eta. Location: SE/S HILLCREST RO. 366'SW OF & OF ALTHEA AVE . Dear Mr. Jablon: The Division of Current Planning and Development has reviewed the subject petition and offers the following comments. The items checked below are (X)There are no site planning factors requiring comment. )A County Review Group Meeting is required. )A County Review Group meeting was held and the minutes will be forward by the Bureau of Public Services. )This site is part of a larger tract; therfore it is defined as a subdivision. The plan must show the entire tract. )A record plat will be required and must be recorded prior to issuance of a building permit. )The access is not satisfactory. )The circulation on this site is not satisfactory. )The parking arrangement is not satisfactory. )Parking calculations must be shown on the plan. )This property contains soils which are defined as wetlands, and development on these soils is prohibited. )Construction in or alteration of the floodplain is prohibited under the provisions of Section 22-98 of the Development Regulations. Development of this site may constitute a potential conflict with the Baltimore County Master Plan. )The amended Development Plan was approved by the Planning Board )Landscaping: Must comply with Baltimore County Landscape Manual. )The property is located in a deficient service area as defined by Bill 178-79. No building permit may be issued until a Reserve Capacity Use Certificate has been issued. The deficient service )The property is located in a traffic area controlled by a "D" level intersection as defined by Bill 178-79, and as conditions change traffic capacity may become more limited. The Basic Services Areas are re-evaluated annually by the County Council. )Additional comments: David Fields, Acting Chief Current Planning and Development cc: James Hoswell

DECEMBER 18, 1986

BALTIMORE COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

NORMAN E. GERBER DIRECTOR

Mr. Arnold Jablon

Zoning Commissioner

BALTIMORE COUNTY
FIRE DEPARTMENT
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204-2586 494-4500 PAUL H. REINCKE CHIEF November 24, 1986 Mr. Arnold Jablon Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning Baltimore County Office Building Towson Maryland 21204 RE: Property Owner: Michael T. Evans, et al Location: SE/S Hillcrest Rd., 366' SW of centerline of Althea Avenue Item No.: 168 Zoning Agenda: Meeting of 11/11/86 Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below marked with an "X" are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property. ( ) 1. Fire hydrants for the referenced property are required and shall be located at intervals or \_\_\_\_\_\_feet along an approved road in accordance with Baltimore County Standards as published by the Department of Public Works. ( ) 2. A second means of vehicle access is required for the site. ( ) 3. The vehicle dead end condition shown at \_\_\_ EXCEEDS the maximum allowed by the Fire Department. ( ) 4. The site shall be made to comply with all applicable parts of the Fire Prevention Code prior to occupancy or beginning of operation. ( x) 5. The buildings and structures existing or proposed on the site shall comply with all applicable requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard No. 101 "Life Safety Code", 1976 edition prior to occupancy. ) 6. Site plans are approved, as drawn. 7. The Fire Prevention Bureau has no commen Fire Prevention Bureau Special Inspection Division

L'ALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARIMENT OF TRAIL TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204 494-3550 DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC ENGINEERING STEPHEN E. COLLINS DIRECTOR December 4, 1986 Mr. Arnold Jablon Zoning Commissioner County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204 Dear Mr. Jablon: The Department of Traffic Engineering has no comments for items number 167, 168, 170, 172, and 173. Very truly yours, Michael S. Flanigan Traffic Engineer Associate II MSF:1t

The undersigned hereby affirms under the penalties of perjury to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, as Tollows:

That the information herein given is within the personal knowledge of the Affiant and Affiant is competent to testify thereto in the syent that a public hearing is scheduled in the future with regard thereto.

AFFIANT (Printed Name)

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STATE OF MARYLAND, COUNTY OF BALTIMORE, to wit:

I HEREBY CERTIFY, this day of the forme, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared to the State of Maryland, in and for the County aforesaid, personally known or satisfactorily identified to me as such Affiant, and made oath in due form of law that the matters and facts hereinabove set forth are true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief. AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal.

July / 1996

My Commission Expires:

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The undersigned hereby affirms under the penalties of perjury to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, as follows: That the information herein given is within the personal knowledge of the Affiant and Affiant is competent to testify thereto in the event that a public hearing is scheduled in the future with regard thereto. I have personal knowledge that the home located at 1923 Hillcrest Rd. Woodlawn Balto County has been occupied as a  $\frac{t w_o}{(two, three, etc.)}$  apartment dwelling since (month), 1954. I also have personal knowledge that all apartments within the dwelling have been occupied as such continuously and without interruption of more than one (1) year during any one period since \frac{\sqrt{2 huary}}{\text{(month)}}, \frac{1454}{\text{(year)}}. This personal knowledge is based upon: heing a meighbor STATE OF MARYLAND, COUNTY OF BALTIMORE, to wit: and made oath in due form of law that the matters and facts hereinabove set forth are true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief. AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal. My Commission Expires: In/8/1996

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December 2, 1986

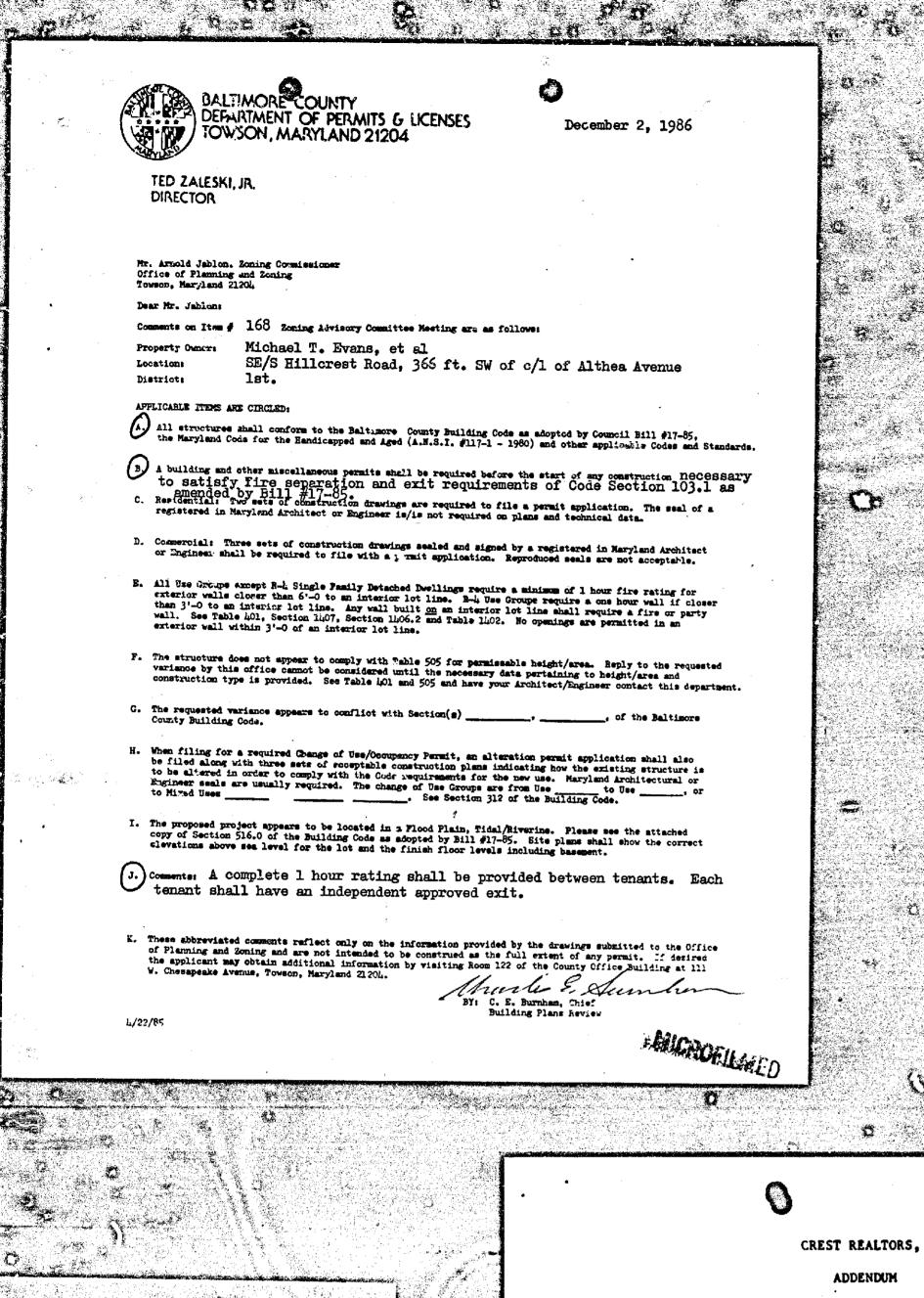
DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS & LICENSES TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

I. The proposed project appears to be located in a Flood Plain, Tidal/Riverine. Please see the attached copy of Section 516.0 of the Building Code as adopted by Rill #17-85. Site plans shall show the correct elevations above sea level for the lot and the finish floor levels including basement.

Comments: A complete I hour rating shall be provided between tenants. Each tenant shall have an independent approved exit.

o" Planning and Zoning and are not intended to be construed as the full extent of any permit. If desired the applicant may obtain additional information by visiting Ross 122 of the County Office Building at 111 v. Chesarsake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204. Much & Suntan

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tended to it as a dual dwelling. Further, they did in good faith try to maintain the dual dwelling status by trying to sell as a dual dwelling.

There was a question as to whether or not the death of the original property owner constituted an involuntary ceaseation of the nonconforming use. In consultations with attourneys Michael Peroutka and Thomas McGee we were directed to do the research that has resulted in our disposition over the proposed "ceaseation" that we are addressing.

Mike and I are very concerned over the future disposition of the property that we purchased. We bought the house as a dual dwelling and we required an addendum to the purchase contract. (also enclosed) We hope that this letter has introduced new information that would affect your position over this property. If we will be having another hearing, if there is something we still need to do, or if you need to make contact for any reason, we will be glad to hear from you.

> Sincerely, Chris Finney 5926 Grand Banks Rd. Columbia Md. 21044. 730-0817 8908 Blade Green Lane Columbia Md. 21045 997-4062 w783-1500

BALTIMORE COUNTY
OFFICE OF PLANNING & ZONING
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204
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JEAN M. H. JUNG DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

April 2, 1987

Mr. Chris Finney 5926 Grand Banks Road Columbia, Maryland 21044

AJ/srl

cc: Mr. Louis Eckhart

Mr. Mike Evans 8908 Blade Green Lane Columbia, Maryland 21045

> RE: Case No. 87-290-SPH Michael T. Evans, et al. Petitioners

Dear Messrs. Finney and Evans:

By copy of this letter to Mr. Eckhart, whom I am sure will share it with the other protestants who appeared at the hearing, I am asking that they respond in writing to the statements made in your letter to me, received March 31, 1987. I would also like to know when the house was constructed.

As soon as I receive the appropriate responses, I will render my deci-

Zoning Commissioner

CREST REALTORS, INC. ADDENDUM Date August 5 1986 Property 1923 Hillcrest Ave, Baltimore, MD 21207 Buyers Christopher D. Finney & Michael T. Evans The sellers agree to provide buyers with a proper zoning permit which would allow the above captioned property to be used and sold as a two (2) unit dwelling, prior to settlement. It is also agreed upon by both buyer and seller that if the above condition can not be accomplished prior to settlement the contract of sale can be renegotiated. Silies to replace looks on door without fitters kings SELLER ALSO ALREES TI REMLYE SHEVROLET STAKE RODIED TRUCK FROM PREMISES Witness

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ZONING OFFICE

April 6, 1987

Arnold Jablon, Zoning Commissioner Baltimore County Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Md. 21204

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Re: CASE NO. 87-290-SPH MICHAEL T. EVANS, et al,

Dear Mr. Jablon:

In response to your request as to when the property known as 1923 Hillcrest Road was constructed, enclosed please find a copy of the original deed dated January 19, 1954.

If I can be of any further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to

Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner

Case # 87-290-SPH MICHAGL T. EVANS, etal

described in Section 104.1 on nonconforming uses.

ZONING OFFICE The property in question is in jeopardy of losing it's nonconforming use status because at the hearing it was alleged by protestants that the property had been vacant for 2 years. While it is true that there was a vacancy of renting tenents, it is not clear that this necessarily has constituted an abandonment or discontinuance as

Having researched the circumstances surronding the situation the following are details that seem to preclude the alleged ceaseation: The house was not changed or altered in any way from a dual dwelling configuration; The period after the last tenent moved out was a period during which the new property owner was making repairs and cleaning the house. Also during this time the house was up for sale by owner, and was advertised as a dual dwelling. (which can be verified by the seller Betty Hugart or her realtor Ruth Triplett) We have enclosed a copy of the listing card describing the property built as two apartments.

Referring again to the clause concerning abandonment or discontinuance, the intent of the new property owner was clearly to maintain the dual dwelling status. The seller [Betty Hugart] inherited the house when her mother died in September1984. Three months later, a tenent, [Mrs. Silver] who had been living upstairs in the apartment, moved out. The new property owner and her husband made some repairs, cleaned up the house, and most importantly advertised and tried to sell the property as a dua! dwelling. They made trips to the property and

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has not done or suffered to be done any act, matter or thing whatsoever, to encumber the property hereby conveyed; that it will warrant specially the property hereby granted, and that it will execute such further argumences of the same as may be requisite.

J. Kennedy Vickers, - - Procident with its corporate real hereunte affixed.

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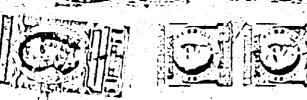
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BALTIMORE COUNTY, LIBER G. L. B. 24. FOLIO & DEORGE L. BYERLY, CLERK,

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THIS DEED, Made this for day of January, 1954, by The Woodlawn
Builling Company, a body comporate, duly organized and existing under the Laws
of the State of Haryland, party of the first part, John H. Powers 3rd and
Puth Persons, his wife, of the County of Baltimore, State of Maryland, parties of
the record part, and Betty R. Powers, of the same place, party of the third part.

withesseth that in consideration of the sum of Five (\$5.00) Dollars and other pool and valuable considerations, the receipt whereof is hereby accorded of the raid The wellows for liter Correspy doth grant and convey unto the said dolon. Towers 3rd and Ruth Pewers, his wife, for and during the term of their coint natural lives and during the term of the life of the survivor with powers of disposition hereinefter set forth and with remainder over, if undisposed of under said powers, to betty R. Fowers, her heirs and assigns, forever in feeting in, and the county of liters, that let or parcel of ground situate, lying and teing in the County of liters, that of Hir land, and described as follows, that is to say:

in the Lot No. (3, as shown on the Plat of Woodlawn Park, Section "C" to the plat is recorded decay the Plat Becords of Baltimore County in Plat Book 19, inlie 6.
The is government thereon being known as No. 1923 Hillcrept Rend.

July 1, 1953, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber 1, 1963, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber 1, 10, 10, 207, folio 140, from J. K.-Vickers, Inc. to The Woodlawn Fulling

TOCETHER with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, made or being; and all and every, the rights, alleys, ways; waters, privileges, appurtenances and advantages to the same belonging, or in any wise spoortaining.

mentioned and hereby intended to be conveyed, together with the rights, privileges, opportunition and advantages thereto belonging or apportuning unto and to the preparation of the first the said John H. Fowers 3rd and Buth Powers, his wife, for and the true, the term of their joint matural lives and during the term of their joint matural lives and during the term of their joint lives; the term of their joint and authority in both of them during their joint lives; full lover and authority in both of them during their joint lives;

entrante, lease or in any other manner dispose of or encoder the cold

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